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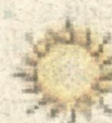
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## Conference champions

By Robert Schuh  
Staff Writer

Fans rushed the court as the Pacific men's basketball team finished the regular season with its 13th straight win and secured a first place seed in the Big West Conference last Saturday night.

Prior to Saturday's win over UC Riverside, the Tigers eased over Cal State Fullerton 78-62 last Thursday.

These last two wins ensured that Pacific would share first place in Big West with its rival Utah State. Last time the two teams met, Pacific barely defeated nationally ranked Aggies 64-60.

Now the men must play in the Big West Tournament held in Anaheim, CA.

The Tigers started strong

against Fullerton and the score at the half was 45-29. However, the Titans fought back in the second half to keep the game close. The Tigers held back Fullerton's counterattack and when the final buzzer sounded the Titans trailed Pacific by 16.

The game was physical and a technical foul was called on Cal State. Pacific fans looked nervous when senior and star guard Miah Davis left the game with an ankle injury with only a few minutes remaining. However, the injury proved minor and Davis will start in Saturday's game.

When asked whether the team would be prepared to play without their star guard, junior David Doubly replied, "That would be

detrimental to the team, but we have so many pieces that we could make it work."

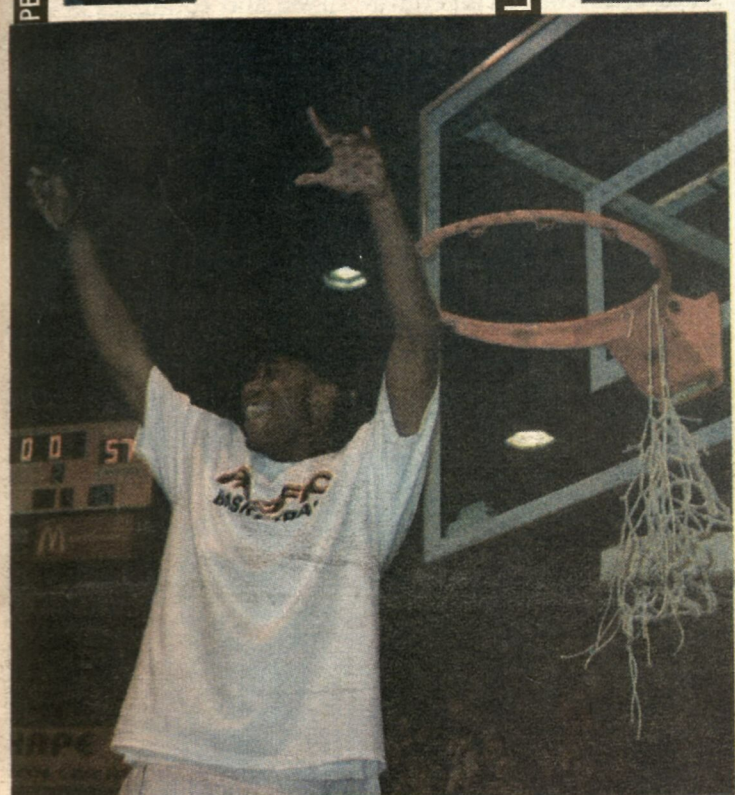
Davis finished Thursday's game with 23 points and five assists. Junior Tyler Newton earned a double-double with 11 points and a remarkable 11 rebounds to match.

Coach Bob Thomason felt this was a hard fought win, but was a little concerned with clock management near the end of the game.

"We're going to have to start learning how to use up the clock to avoid quick turnaround shots by the other team," Thomason stated.

Saturday night, the Tigers had no problem closing out the game against Riverside

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Photography by Rebecca Jones

CHAMPIONS: Pacific men's basketball ended its season with two wins and secured a number one spot in the Big West Conference. Miah Davis cuts down the net as the Conference player of the year.

## State Senate candidate to speak at Pacific

*College Republicans host Stockton mayor Gary Podesto in Meet the Candidate Forum*

By Eric Thompkins  
Guest Writer

On Mar. 31, the Pacific College Republicans will be hosting a Meet the Candidate Forum featuring Stockton Mayor and republican state Senatorial candidate Gary Podesto. Podesto is running for the 5th Senate District, which is currently represented by Senator Michael Machado (D-Linden).

The Podesto/Machado race is predicted to be the hardest fought race during the 2004 general election, and by all accounts will be

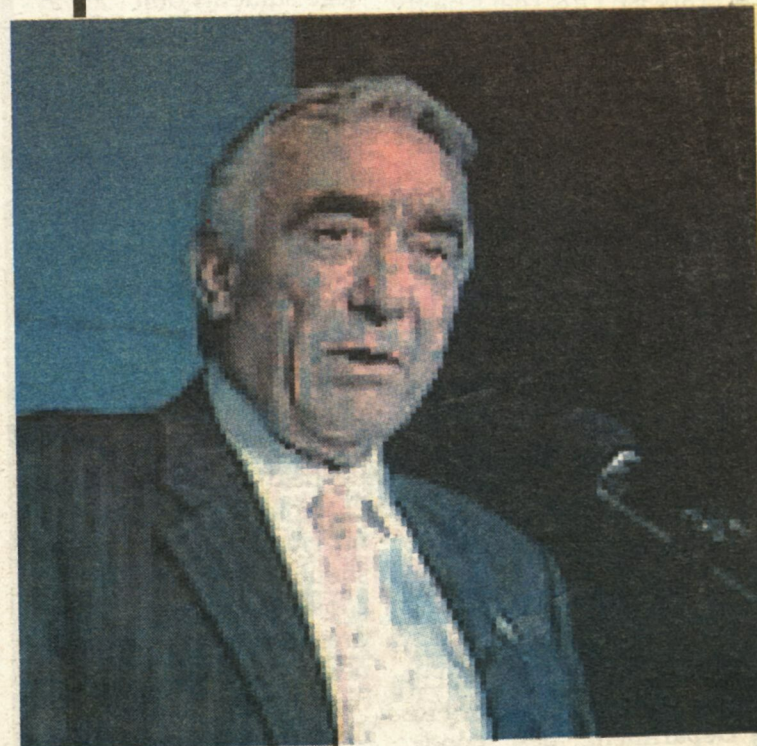
the most expensive state legislative seat battle ever in the United States.

The 5th district is comprised of San Joaquin, Solano, Yolo and portions of Sacramento counties with a population of over 800,000. "The Legislature has failed, and it's time for the architects of that failure to step aside and give others the opportunity to do better," declared Gary Podesto from the steps of Stockton's City Hall. "It's time for taxpayers to demand accountability. We can and must do better."

"Imagine how much better our schools and communi-

ties would be, if we wrung the waste out of government?" continued Podesto. "Spending has increased over 35 percent in the last four years. Are our schools 35 percent better now? Are our roads 35 percent better? I want to bring fiscal responsibility back to Sacramento." (www.garypodesto.com)

Come meet Mayor Podesto on Mar. 31 from 8 - 9 p.m. in the Regents Room as Mayor Podesto discusses his platform and answers questions regarding those issues that are most important to Pacific students.



PODESTO: Stockton city mayor Gary Podesto will run for state Senator this November against incumbent Mike Machado.

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## Career Faire

By Ha Tran  
Guest Writer

Looking to find a good career, but don't know where to start? The Career Resource Center will be hosting its Spring Career Faire this March here at University of the Pacific. If you're plagued with uncertainty about career opportunities, this is a great way for you to find a suitable career.

According to the Wall Street Journal, economic growth today is very slow and it is tough to find a decent job out in the market. This is especially true for college graduates. It is hard to know which industry or field will be booming, and where to start looking for a job. According to the Labor Department, jobless claims rose in the week ending February 21 and applicants for unemployment benefits increased by 6,000 to 350,000.

Northern California has seven out of the top 10 cities with nationally high unemployment rates. This includes Fresno, Merced, and yes, Modesto, Stockton, and Lodi (Career Indicators, Wall Street Journal). Scary isn't it? That's pretty bad news for students graduating and looking for good careers.

That's where Pacific's Career Faire can come in handy. There will be 64 employers on campus offering a vast variety of opportunities. Present at the faire will be accounting firms, hospitals, bio-tech and medical companies, health care services, financial institutions, non-profit organizations, International Studies careers, school districts, and much more. To name a few, companies like E Trade Financial, the Peace Corp, Liberty Mutual, Sutter River Center, Enterprise, Sacramento Fire Department, Best Foods, and will be in attendance.

"We try to have representation from all areas," said Deborah Crane, this year's Career Faire coordinator, who is also the Employer and Alumni Coordinator. Crane said the turnouts are fairly good, but this year, they are aiming to increase student participation by expanding promotion of the event. "Our purpose is to connect students with potential full/part time jobs and internships and not to only senior standing students," said Crane.

The Career Faire is open to all Pacific students and alumni. It will be a great opportunity for students to become familiar with the jobs out there, since the job market for recent graduates and current students isn't doing so well. Crane said, "It will give students an opportunity to network with recruiters on site. Even if students aren't looking for a job now, it will help them get to know recruiters and develop a network and connection with them for later benefit."

You can also gain the experience of interacting with real job industries; it will better prepare you for the working world. College students don't always start off well looking for careers. In the February issue of the Wall Street Journal, Kris Maher wrote, "Recruiters say they are frequently shocked at the number of candidates [inexperienced college graduates] who make a poor first impression." This is a great chance for students to gain more insight on how to get the jobs they want.

The Career Faire will be held Thursday, March 25, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Hand Hall lawn. You should come with several copies of your resume, and dress for success in business casual attire. Please contact the Career Resource Center at 946-2361 for more information.

## Peace activist to lecture

By Shane Cipris  
News Editor

South African archbishop and recipient of the 1984 Nobel Peace Prize Desmond Tutu will deliver a lecture in Spanos Center on April 1. The archbishop's visit, which will be his only Northern California speaking engagement, marks the beginning of the Brubeck Festival 2004. Presented by Pacific and the Dave Brubeck Institute, the festival commemorates the 40th anniversary of the passage of the Civil Rights Act and recognizes renowned jazz composer and Pacific alumnus Dave Brubeck's lifelong commitment to social justice and human rights.

Born in 1931 in Transvaal, South Africa, Desmond Tutu was raised in a household with an atmosphere of sympathy and tolerance; he later said of his upbringing, "I never learned to hate." At the young age of 12, Tutu met an Anglican priest in Johannesburg, Father Trevor Huddleston, whose notably early opposition to apartheid made a strong impression on and influenced Tutu. After deciding in 1958 to join the ministry, Tutu was ordained to the priesthood in 1961.

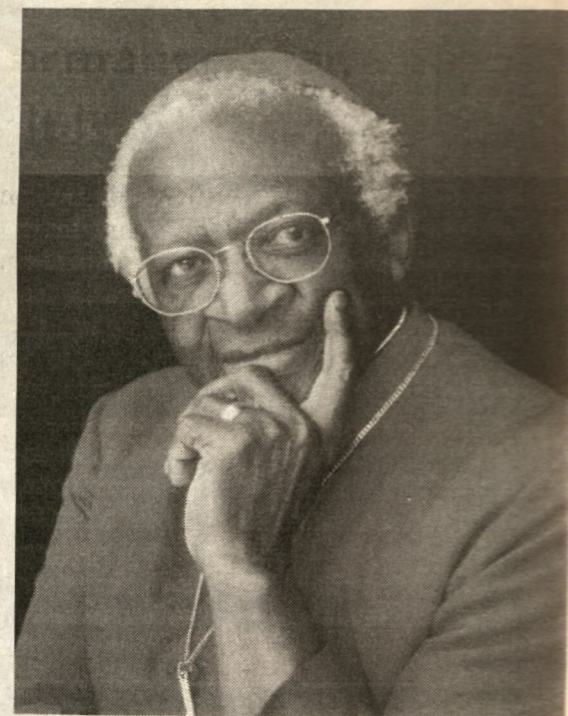
He lived in London for several years during which time he continued in his studies, and after returning to South Africa in 1967,

held the post of chaplain at University of Fort Hare. By 1970 Tutu had moved to the University of Botswana, Lesotho and Swaziland, where he held the position of theological lecturer. He continued his work as an educator and by 1972 was named Dean of St. Mary's Cathedral in Johannesburg; he was the first black to hold this position. Three years later, Tutu became the first black man to be named General Secretary of the South African Council of Churches.

In 1984, Desmond Tutu was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in recognition of "the courage and heroism shown by black South Africans in their use of peaceful methods in the struggle against apartheid". The Nobel Prize committee asked that Tutu's recipient of the award be regarded "not only as a gesture of support to him and to the South African Council of Churches, but also to all individuals and

groups in South Africa with their concern for human dignity, fraternity and democracy, incite the admiration of the world".

Tutu was named Archbishop of Cape Town in April 1986 and continues to speak out against social injustice and inequality; in recognition of his tireless efforts he has been bestowed honorary degrees from a number of respected institutions of higher learning such as Harvard and Columbia. His appearance at Pacific will commence at 6 p.m. in the Alex G. Spanos Center, and is free to all.



TUTU: Nobel Peace Prize winner Archbishop Desmond Tutu will speak at Pacific on April 1st.

# VOTE NOW!

**McCaffrey Center – 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.**

**Library – 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.**



**Today is last day to vote in ASUOP elections**

Thursday, March 11, is the last day of voting for ASUOP student government candidates. Students may vote today between 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the McCaffrey Center, and at the Library between 4-7 p.m.

**Students can get 'Inside Scoop' on classes**

Between 12-1 p.m. today in the McCaffrey Center,

shipping company will hold an information session about its business between 7-8 p.m. tonight in the Spruce Room at the McCaffrey Center. All students are invited to attend; please contact the Career Resource Center at 946-2361 for more information. Tomorrow, March 12, Maersk Sealand will conduct on-campus recruitment interviews between 9-5 p.m. Please visit [www.pacific.erecruiting.com](http://www.pacific.erecruiting.com) to register.

## BRIEFS

the College of the Pacific Association (COPA) will hold an event called "Inside Scoop," during which students can interact with professors from all College of the Pacific departments and discuss their syllabi for fall semester classes.

The event will be a good opportunity for students to learn first-hand about classes they may wish to take. Living up to its name, Inside Scoop will also feature free ice cream sundaes.

**Second event for Pacific Service Challenge**

Starting at 1 p.m. today (right after Inside Scoop) in the Commons Room at McCaffrey Center, Alpha Phi Omega will host the Absolutely Incredible Kids Day event, in which students may come in and write an encouraging letter to a younger sibling or local child in need. This nationwide service event has been included as part of Alpha Phi Omega's Pacific Service Challenge, and the student organization that garners the most participants will win this particular challenge.

**Information session for global shipping company**  
The Maersk Sealand

**POC trip will explore Baja, kayaking all the way**

The Pacific Outdoor Connection is offering a three-day sea-kayaking exploration of La Bufadora ('The Blowhole') in Baja, three hours south of San Diego, during Spring Break (March 16-21).

Among other activities, the trip will include camping, kayaking, and snorkeling. No experience is necessary. The trip is limited to 8 participants and costs \$245. Please contact the POC at 946-7607.

**Computer Virus Awareness Week**

Are you bugging? The Office of Information Technology is holding the first ever Virus Awareness Week. Come check it out and get your raffle ticket to win lots of free prizes.

Learn how to protect your computer, get free food, and win gift certificates from Best Buy. All events will be held in the McCaffrey Center and the Commons Room throughout the week of March 22-March 26, between 11:30 a.m. and 1:20 p.m. Look for fliers around campus for more information and a detailed list of events and activities.

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**Pacific's "petty" politics**

By Alex Wagner and Amber Prochaska  
Editors

In this year's competitive race for student body president, Pacific has seen its fair share of "petty politics."

Under strict election codes and campaigning procedures, candidates have been vying for endorsements while keeping a watchful eye on their opponents.

"Whenever there is a contested race, the petty stuff will always be there," ASUOP Elections Coordinator Ryan Hundley said.

For the past three weeks, Hundley has listened to complaints and questions regarding campaign rules such as the legitimacy of using masking tape to hang up posters.

"The Tiger Lore is way too strict in its posting policy," Hundley said. "We haven't been able to hold up to all of its restrictions."

After weeks of campaigning, candidates are just as sick of playing the watchdog as the elections committee.

"I feel bad that the elections committee has to waste their time discussing things like masking tape and con-

tradictory university posting policies," ASUOP Vice Presidential candidate Hailey Peterson said.

"It seems like the elections committee's time should be spent—as should the candidates'—on promoting the idea of participation within the student body instead of having to deal with posting issues."

Currently, 20 percent of each candidates poster must be devoted to supplying students with polling locations and times. No other form of advertising voting information is displayed on campus.

"It's sad that campaigning has to be so petty," Peterson said.

With a \$1,000 budget, Hundley and his elections committee are charged with conducting all ASUOP office races, which includes determining the type of ballot, managing the polls, and preparing an election packet for all of the candidates running.

Advertising for the elections, however, is only assigned to the candidates themselves.

"You find ways around [the strict regulations],"

ASUOP Vice Presidential candidate Matt Neerie said. "Our primary strategy was verbal communication. We relied on talking to people instead of posters and flyers."

Presidential candidates have been creative in their solicitation to students. Even up to the days of polling, candidates are desperately passing out flyers as students walk through the doors of the polling place.

Others have required a percentage of their personal Greek organization to vote in the election and have even visited opposing Greek houses to voice their concerns.

However petty and strict Pacific's election procedures seem to be, Hundley believes this year's voter turnout will be much higher than in the past.

"The last two years have been dead with only six percent of the student body voting. That is ridiculous," Hundley commented.

"What you need on a college campus is more participation. I'll be thrilled if we get 25 percent of the students out this year."



## Spring break memories

By Paige Elisha  
 Staff Writer

The air is slowly warming and the days are quietly growing longer. Although it reluctantly approaches in fits, summer is coming.

Yet, here on our campus we are called back to reality from our dreams of hot lazy days and are reminded of our obligations and responsibilities. Is there no happy medium to balance the urge for summer and the aversion to academic winter? Before we know it—it's already upon us—Spring Break!

As I prepare for this year's great escape, I cannot help but look back over the years

and feel a bit nostalgic. Really, I feel that I have done it all: a week in San Diego with close friends, an eventful vacation in Acapulco with the boyfriend and seven of his fraternity brothers.

But out of all of the years, the one that stands out the most in my mind is my most recent spring break, last April.

While attending the University of Ghana in Legon, a girlfriend and I decided to take some time off to create our very own African spring break experience.

We took three weeks, which may seem like an extended amount of time but

what really only just sufficed for our great adventure. On the 12th of Apr. 2003, Julie, a 19-year-old student from the University of Wisconsin and I left Accra, Ghana in a taxi packed with three other passengers. Unaware of what our travels might hold, we departed with a feeling of optimism and an unparalleled sense of adventure.

From Accra, we traveled east first to Togo and then to Benin. The trip through eastern Ghana and most of these two countries was relatively short and Julie and I spent all three car rides sharing the front seat of a beat-up shared taxi.

After a night and two days in the smog filled city of Cotonou, Julie and I headed into northern Benin and what for us, as seasoned travelers of Ghana and Togo, constituted the great unknown.

In the north, we were amazed by the stark contrast in architecture, dress, constitution, and even environment of our surroundings and its inhabitants.

Thankfully, as we noted for the first time in literally months, we experienced the sensation of evaporation as our usually sweat-drenched

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## The conservative view

By Mara Title  
 Staff Writer

I've decided to take a different approach in defining conservatism this week. I've come to realize that, although I can provide insight into what it means to be a conservative, students must experience it for themselves. This will most likely happen when they have to fend for themselves, after graduating from Pacific. Most students in college adhere to their liberal professors' mindsets, and feel adamantly that they too want to seek out and eliminate the injustices of our society.

Although a noble cause,

the premises surrounding liberalism ultimately lead to greater depravity within the human spirit. Here's an in-depth example:

Suppose that a 16 year-old girl gets pregnant by her boyfriend, decides she's too young to care for the baby, and wants to get an abortion.

This response might be similar to a liberal outlook: "The girl knows her own limitations; if she doesn't feel comfortable having the baby, then she shouldn't be forced to. She's too young anyway, and has so much of her life ahead of her."

A conservative would more or less view the situation like this: "Aside from

the fact that they're having pre-marital sex (which has its consequences), if the girl doesn't want the baby, she should give it up for adoption. The media always ignores the fact that a huge majority of women who've had an abortion encounter intense emotional distress. These reasons alone are adequate enough, but the idea of eliminating a human life might also be a factor in considering adoption. Liberals define abortion as a woman's choice to manage her body the way she pleases. Conservatives view abortion as a woman's choice

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## SOCIAL JUSTICE WEEKLY



### Welfare reform needs reform

By Suzanne Vyborney  
 Perspectives Editor

"The rich are getting richer and the poor are getting poorer." Living in Bush's economy, notorious for its tax cuts for the wealthy, this is a statement with which we are unfortunately very familiar. What's worse is that the low-income families of this nation have just suffered yet another low blow—an extension of the 1996 welfare reform law.

The law is up for reauthorization this month and based on Congress' welfare track record thus far, it is clear who is going to benefit most from the proposed changes and who is going to suffer.

According to Dr. Heather Boushey for the Center for American Progress, the reason welfare reform worked when it was implemented in the late 1990's is because the economy at the time was good and also because work supports were used. Work supports, childcare and health insurance, are under attack in the proposed changes Congress has for the welfare reform law. While these changes may save a lot of money, this is going to hurt the lowest-paid American where she can afford it least—a 40 hour work week with no extra money to pay for childcare.

As was seen in the success of the welfare reform law in the 1990's, work supports are often what make ends meet; the pay from a minimum-wage job alone is often not enough to cover basic needs. With states giving \$7.7 billion for child care for low-income families and an additional

\$24 billion for health insurance, these work supports are what kept many families afloat.

Two million American families are on welfare and over two million fewer jobs are available since Bush has taken office—pretty interesting statistics. While conservatives may complain about welfare fraud and greedy welfare moms, what's really at stake in this law reauthorization is the future of America's families. If childcare is not made readily available to welfare mothers, they must then rely on family help which can often be unreliable or paid services which are costly and detract from money needed to cover other basic needs.

Welfare mothers are often lacking education and job skills, and with the added headache of seeking childcare and health insurance, this negatively impacts their mental health as well as endangers the physical wellbeing of their children.

While conservatives may fault welfare mothers for negligence or carelessness, the fact remains that children do exist who are in desperate need of care. By removing the staple support of childcare and health insurance, Congress is simply ensuring that the financial divide between low-income and wealthy families will increase.

It is only by continuing to maintain these supports can we hope to help welfare mothers learn how to become self-sustaining so they can manage healthy families.



# Parking is perplexing

By Eugene Sefanov  
 Guest Writer

We do it everyday. We think about it everyday. Most importantly, we dread it everyday. What is it you may ask? I'll tell you. Parking.

Do students at Pacific not pay enough tuition as it is? What is the deal with the university charging for the so-called "parking" on campus?

"It's really crappy," said junior Mason Warriner.

Another student commented on the cost of parking.

"I believe that students pay more than enough tuition so they do not have to

pay for poor parking amenities. There is no reason to charge more for parking that is scarce and not even guaranteed," said freshman Lior Tamir.

"I cannot begin to tell you how much time I spend looking for parking, just to end up the same distance, as it would be to walk from the Townhouses to the Communication Department. We pay extra for nothing and things need to change," said junior Jon Krupp.

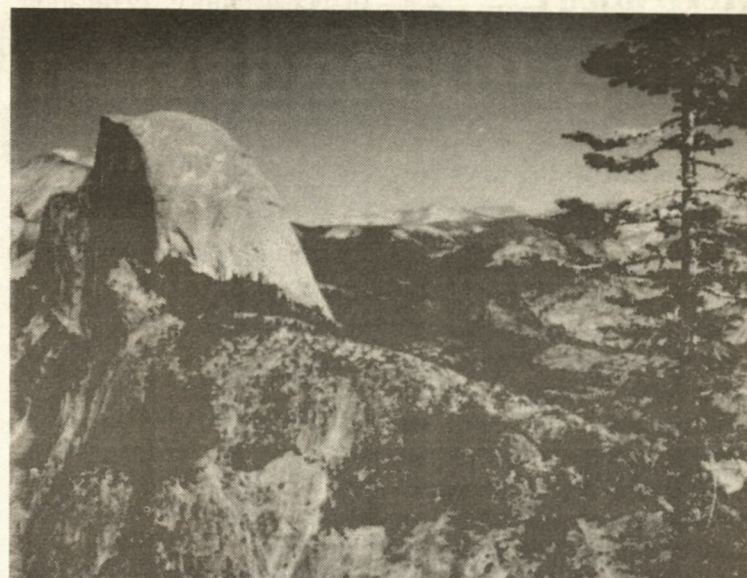
Why doesn't the university add more parking? Maybe adding a multilevel parking garage would be a great idea. Whatever the addition is, it

would surely alleviate the parking problems that students have. We simply need accessible parking.

Professors and staff also have to pay for parking, but it seems there is a sufficient amount of "A" parking spaces, so there is not too much room to complain.

I hope the university will listen to its students and make the campus student-vehicle friendly for the future. I understand changes cannot be made immediately, but it would be nice to see some plans for it to eventually happen. It would make it that much better to be a student at Pacific.

Let me just clarify that money is not the main issue here. It is the availability and accessibility that is the issue. As long as there are enough parking spots around campus, students would not mind paying as much. However, if changes cannot be made, then the cost of parking needs to decrease or be completely eliminated.



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YOSEMITE: This national park contains some of America's most spectacular landscape. It's no wonder people travel thousands of miles to witness its magnificent splendor.

## Horizons: Beautiful Yosemite

By Kara Buchanan  
 Staff Writer

A bad day simply does not exist in Yosemite. Though a muggy July downpour of rain and an intense thunder and lightning storm literally cast a shadow on the spectacular face of Half Dome, it only served to enhance the beauty of Yosemite's gorgeous landscape. The cloud formations added a unique dimension to the sky overhead; the lightning magically illuminated the water as it cascaded down the majestic falls and into glistening pools at their base.

Hiking in the rain added to the typical level of endorphins incurred by such physical exertion. Bounding down the rocks we had found so strenuous to ascend brought upon a sensation of pure exhilaration. The breath-taking view from the apex of the hike justified every step of the three and a half miles of switchbacks as well as the dripping wet hair. Very few things in this world can bring such pure joy as returning to the base after three and a half hours. Gazing up at such a spectacular, colossal natural wonder as Yosemite Falls, with the knowledge of what it feels like to be standing atop the mountain and looking down, is the definition of fulfillment.

I allowed the rain to come in through my car's open windows along with the invigorating fresh air as I returned to Pacific. The roads winding through the lush mountainside spattered with cars sporting out-of-state license plates bore testimony to the prestige of this place. It is no wonder people will drive across the nation in order to spend time in Yosemite National Park. A day immersed in this glorious setting instills an increased appreciation for the wonder of natural beauty that consistently surrounds us, regardless of what storm's life may bring our way.



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clothes lost some of their moisture and peeled from our skin.

We spent four days in northern Benin traveling through the Pendjari National Park where we saw wild hippo, crocodiles, elephant, wart hogs, and more.

Julie and I both enjoyed the park immensely but we were both impatiently excited to reach our future destination of Mali while our visas were still valid.

Burkina Faso and Mali are two of these most intriguing places I have ever been. Completely foreign and enchanting, these two desperately poor nations filled with miles upon miles of hot sand spoke to my most basic sense of being.

Neither Julie nor I spoke any French and found it difficult to relate to the almost impossible lifestyles of the Burkinabés and Malians. We learned incredible lessons

of perseverance, dedication, humility, and satisfaction from them.

While trekking in Dogon Country along the Bandiagara Escarpment, Julie and I found ourselves hundreds of miles from both running water and electricity in 115 degree heat.

In the villages in which we were guests, curious yet polite children and adults bombarded us with attention and we found it almost impossible to remain offended by those individuals who were abrasive or demanding.

Returning south after two weeks in the dry heat was shocking yet comforting to both Julie and I. Surprisingly, after having lived in the heavy moisture of southern Ghana for three weeks, I found that I had grown used to the humidity and felt almost lonely when it did not blanket me in its warm embrace.

All told, in 21 days, Julie and I spent 126 hours in

transport (transport meaning the back of an old beat-up truck with wooden benches, a shared taxi or a packed bus). We visited Lome, Cotonou, Ouagadougou, Bobo-Dialasso, Djenne, Gorom-Gorom and many other cities.

It would be impossible to replicate or compete with last year's spring break experience but I still look forward to next week. I am amazed that this is already the last "spring break" that I will ever have. What a sobering thought!

For everyone headed somewhere exciting this spring break-be careful and have fun. For those who are not-enjoy it and relax!

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to murder another life. Let's face it, those who opt for abortion have all been given the chance to live. Had they been aborted, well, that's the end of that argument."

Sure, there are some liberals who are against abortion, but I can't think of many conservatives who are for it. Some will argue that if women can't have them done legally, they will end up dangerously risking their lives, performing them on their own. My question remains: why don't they give up the baby for adoption?

If it's because they are too afraid to let anyone know (namely, their parents) that they're pregnant, this is a problem within their household, rather than the government's problem. When is adoption not an alternative? People get tired of me mentioning this, because it's

a harder option to choose. When women have to carry around their baby for nine months and deliver it, they have a very hard time giving it up. You know why? Because it's a human life.

As a female, I don't think have the right to kill a human being inside of me. We have so many animal rights laws yet the idea of abortion is not only tolerated, it's encouraged among many people. Does this not strike you as the least bit odd? For all of you animal rights activists, cover your ears-I value human lives over animal lives. Does this mean I support the torture of animals? Of course not; but if it came down to it, I'd kill a dog any day over having to kill a child.

The funny thing is, the definition of abortion is not that controversial. It's murder, and do we as a society think that murder is wrong? Yes. Case solved. Enjoy the rest of your day, being alive.

# Career Faire<sup>2004</sup>

March 25th 2004

Hand Hall Lawn 11:00 am- 3:00 pm

## Upcoming Events

■ Feb. 18-23, March 1 & 8,  
7:00 to 8:15pm  
Exploratory Students ONLY  
"Unraveling the Mystery"

■ March 3  
7:00 to 8:30pm  
"Dress for Success"  
Co-Sponsored by  
Delta Sigma Pi

■ March 2 & 4  
Noon to 1:00pm  
Resume Review

■ March 24  
"Alumni Recognition Dinner"  
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S.L.U.T.: Marty Beckerman's new book, *Generation S.L.U.T.* (sexually liberated urban teens) dives into the lives of teens who live promiscuously. He reflects on the sad realities taking over the minds of youth today.

By Troy Van Denover

Guest Writer

First, let me admit, I was punk'd. I have been reading Marty Beckerman's online column for about three years now. I had been eagerly anticipating the release of his new book from the glimpses he has so generously dished out in his newsletter.

Three weeks ago, I was informed that some of the religious right had acquired an advance copy of his new book, and were warning America's youth away from the vile contents contained in therein.

The website warned that Marty Beckerman was the single most dangerous threat to today's youth and viciously attacked his book, and Mr. Beckerman personally. I was incensed over their desire to censor an up and coming author. But the joke is on me, [www.stopmartybeckerman.com](http://www.stopmartybeckerman.com) is actually an alcohol-fueled attempt at grand humor by Marty and his friends.

For those of you who haven't discovered Marty Beckerman online at [www.martybeckerman.com](http://www.martybeckerman.com), you are missing a view into Generation Y that *Road Rules*, *The Real World*, and the other insipid TV shows only hint at. Marty has been compared to Hunter S. Thompson in his irreverent writ-

ing style, using profanity as a sort of punctuation, and at age 20, may be moving forward to his own Fear and Loathing.

In *Generation S.L.U.T.* (sexually liberated urban teens), *A Brutal Feel-Up Session with Today's Sex-Crazed Adolescent Populace*, Marty takes the reader into a world of anonymous, alcohol and drug-fueled hook-ups from the perspective of the 16 year-olds who inhabit it. While at its outset, the book seems to glorify the hedonistic scenes of carnal couplings; it actually carries a deeper message. The story delves into the self-ponderings of the incredibly shallow characters, giving the reader an insight into their sadly superficial existences.

The book's format is that of a short novel with the chapters divided by other short stories. Marty has taken the liberty of sharing some of his own experiences in this book, with the addition of some factoids that will leave you scratching your head wondering how deeply meaningless life has become for some of our youth.

After reading this work from cover to cover, I feel it is a necessary read for the incoming generation, whatever letter we assign to them. Good work, Marty, long may you continue to offend.

Georgette & Mikey  
wish everyone a fun &  
safe Spring Break!

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## Trashy Spring Break caught on tape Try to keep your clothes on & the cameras off

By Mikey Vu  
Movie Critic  
Lifestyles Editor

With Spring Break just a couple days away, college students everywhere will be flocking to all the hotspots like Cancun, Cabo, Miami, and of course Lake Havasu. But with this power comes great responsibility, for everyone knows that Spring Break can be simplified into a basic math equation: Spring Break = Alcohol + Party - Clothes.

But in the past years an unknown variable, an

epidemic, has reared its ugly head. You are probably wondering, "Hey Mikey, what is this X factor you speak about?" Well ladies and gents, that mystery variable is none other than... *Girls Gone Wild*.

In the past years, hand held digital cameras have become a common household object and they now threaten the very existence of the naked, drunken college student. What was once a promiscuous, embarrassing, and crazy week of partying in anonymity now is a promiscuous, embarrass-

ing, and crazy week of partying caught on tape featuring Snoop Dogg.

For those of you who aren't in the "know, *Girls Gone Wild*" is one of the most boring series of exhibitionist pornography you will ever find. Who actually spends money on this crap? *Girls Gone Wild* videotapes are about as sexually appealing as watching *Sex Talk* with Sue Johanson on the Oxygen channel.

What *Girls Gone Wild* tapes consist of is a bunch of creepy old guys perusing college parties, clubs, and bars looking for the drunkest girl to take of her clothes...in exchange for a T-shirt. Am I the only one that sees an absurd paradox here? Now what I'm thinking is that you could avoid the whole situation all together by never taking off the shirt that you came in with in the first place. If you kept it on, you wouldn't need another shirt...duh.

Anyways, there are myriad things that you can do during Spring Break, but for some apparent reason college students tend to like the lack of clothes the best (wonder why that is?). There are always exceptions to the



**GONE WILD:** Maybe one day you too may end up on a video with Snoop Dogg, something you may not want to mention in your resume.

rule, but with *Girls Gone Wild* grossing millions of millions every year, it seems like there is no shortage of girls eager to take it off.

Many of you may be wondering, how come its always the girls that are taking it off why not the guys? We'll be honest, there are undoubtedly far more naked males than females at these parties but the male form just flounders out isn't as beautiful as the female form. And besides how many girls do you think would actually pay to see a bunch of naked guys dance around when they could get it for free at a frat party.

Remember my words of advice fellow college students when you head off to wherever you're going to be next week. Remember these words no matter how much you don't remember from your nights of heavy drinking (Pacific students Never!). So before you find yourself mortified by the sight of you prancing around naked on one of those late night commercials on E!, think twice about getting naked during Spring Break for some lousy T-shirt. At least get some money for it.

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By Sally Nichols  
Galaxy Guru

## ARIES

You are guaranteed to have a fabulous week! Your supervisor will let you know what wonderful work you are doing and hint at the opportunity to move up on the ladder! Stay productive and things will be grand!

## TAURUS

Be careful where you keep your money. Fraud is becoming more prevalent and we all know that college kids don't have that much to begin with! Your belongings are important, keep a close eye on them!

## GEMINI

Everyone loves a good night of partying, but giving your number out to random guys is NOT always a good idea. We all want to find someone

out there that will make us feel wanted, but being random is not the way. Give your number out sparingly!

## LEO

Don't be such a clean freak! I'm sure that your roommate has different tendencies than you when it comes to being Mr. or Mrs. Clean, but be patient! Be open with one another, and try to respect the space that the two of you must share. Life is always much easier when you work things out!

## CANCER

Is there someone in your life that you have not spoken with in a long time? Now is the time to give them a call or drop them a line. There are certain people that come and go, but I feel like you should give this particular person a second chance. Good luck!

## CAPRICORN

All of our families can get to us every once in a while, but try to remain calm and let them know you care and think about them often. We all fight, have arguments, let our feelings get the best of us. Your family will always be there for you but your friends might not. Spend a little extra time and energy on your loved ones this week!

## SAGITTARIUS

Your over indulgences will soon take over your life if you do not learn to use some self-control! This can mean anything from food obsession, to shopping, to keeping your life in order! These things are important but remember that moderation is the key!

## AQUARIUS

Be careful what you ask for, sometimes it just might come true. There is an action that will take place in the next two days of your life that will make you question what you really want and what you really need. Be careful.

## VIRGO

Ever play the LOTTO? This may be your lucky week! The numbers are rolling in your direction and will help you pay for your trip Spring Break trip! Take that last minute upgrade for your flight and go First Class instead of Coach!

## PISCES

Are sports problems interfering with your social life? Try taking a bowling class through Pacific or a Tai Kwon Do class! Doing things

with your friends is a great way to relieve stress and a great way to learn something new. Have fun!

## LIBRA

Life is full of unexpected turns, be prepared for plans to take turns for the worst. You will be able to fix this by keeping all your senses attune to your surroundings. These turns can be good if handled the right way. Good luck!

## SCORPIO

Ok, all you excited pre-adults, keep your pants on! We are all in college, but this doesn't mean we need to act like barbarians! Have fun, but be safe, and know your surroundings. We're not in Kansas anymore Toto and things can be scary out there!



# Tigers baseball goes 1 for 3 in series play

By Tara Fitzpatrick  
Staff Writer

In a three game series against the University of San Francisco Dons the men's baseball team went 1-2 by barely earning win on Saturday in thirteen innings.

In Friday's loss, the Dons came out strong and scored two runs in the first inning, the second gained off of a throwing error by senior Andy Willick.

In the bottom half of the second with two men on base and primed to score, Dons starting pitcher Kevin Rose had back-to-back strike outs and prevented senior Aaron Harper and freshman Mark McLaughlin from reaching home.

Junior Jordan Seiber gave

the Tigers a boost in the 6th by scoring the first and only run of the game, and earning Seiber his seventh RBI of the season. Yet, the Tigers failed to come back, losing 3-1.

Saturday, the Dons came out strong, scoring first, with one run the fourth as well as the fifth innings.

The Dons would not hold this lead for long, as the Tigers answered with two runs in the fifth. With two runners on base and two outs, junior Andy Willick, with his first hit of the season, scored Junior Brandon Gottier.

Following Gottier's run, senior Adam Ringers single scored freshman Isaiah Lilly, the tying run.

Not until the thirteenth inning would the game be decided. After senior Jesse Kovacs stole second, Seiber drew a walk. Up at bat next, with one out and two runners on, was senior Aaron Harper. Harper hit the ball down the right field line, giving him the game winning hit.

**"Harper hit the ball down the right field line, giving him the game winning hit,"**

ing him the game winning hit as Kovacs scored winning the game, 3-2.

Junior Alex Graham had another great game, in nearly eight innings he struck out eight Dons, allowing only two runs.

The relief pitchers did not disappoint, with junior Gregg Reynolds gave the Tigers their win on the mound, his first of the season.

Sunday would not be as successful, though as the Tigers fell to the Dons. USF pulled ahead in the first inning with two runs. Yet again, Seiber would help the Tigers advance with a homerun over the left field wall, tying the game.

Junior Jesse Kovacs hit a single to the right to bring Seiber home and give the Tigers a momentary lead. Over the next four innings, however, the Dons pulled away with five runs, embarking on a 7-2 lead. Yet, the Tigers were not to be de-

feated easily. Lilly and senior Adam Ringer helped the Tigers with back-to-back singles, allowing freshman Mark McLaughlin and senior Octavio Amezcua to plate the two respective runs. With the game at 7-5, Kovacs hit the ball into centerfield to bring McLaughlin home and tie the game to 7-5.

Though the Tigers seemed primed for a comeback, they would fail in the end, losing the 8-6 loss.

With this series loss, the Tigers move to 9-6 on the season, while the 7-9 Dons move on with some confidence.

# Women's basketball ends season strong

By Rob Schuh  
Staff Writer

If the shoe fits...

The women's basketball team ended its season last week with two wins on the road. Last Thursday the Tigers beat Cal State Fullerton and UC Riverside, bringing their overall record to 14-13 and 13-5 in Big West.

Against Fullerton, senior Gillian d'Hondt scored the game high for Pacific netting 21 points. Senior Corinne Wong earned a double-double with 10 points and 11 assists.

By halftime the Tigers had an impressive 45-49 lead over the Titans. Twenty-five of those points came from the combination of d'Hondt and

senior Nancy Dinges.

In the second half, Fullerton threatened a come back bringing the score to within seven points, but in the remaining minutes of the game Pacific hit nine of 12 free throws and held on to their 10 point victory.

Also on the road, Pacific cruised to victory against UC Riverside 72-68 with four

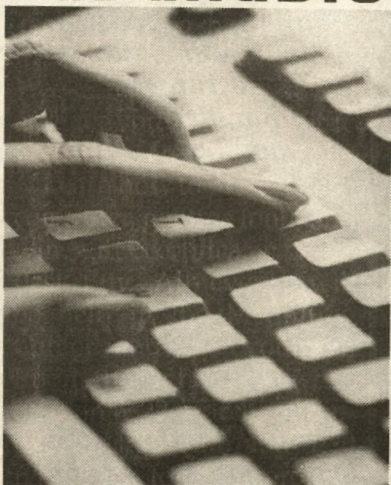
players hitting double-digits.

The game was close down to the last minutes when the teams were locked up at 68-68. From that point, it was a free-throw contest for Pacific with d'Hondt hitting two of four from the line and junior Marquitta Hillman secured the win by scoring the final two points following a steal by Dinges.

Dinges led the team with 15 points, d'Hondt had 12 points, Wong earned 12 points and finally senior Andrea Nederostek had 11 points in the round it off.

Coming off of the two wins, the Tigers head to the Big West Conference Tournament in Anaheim March 11-13.

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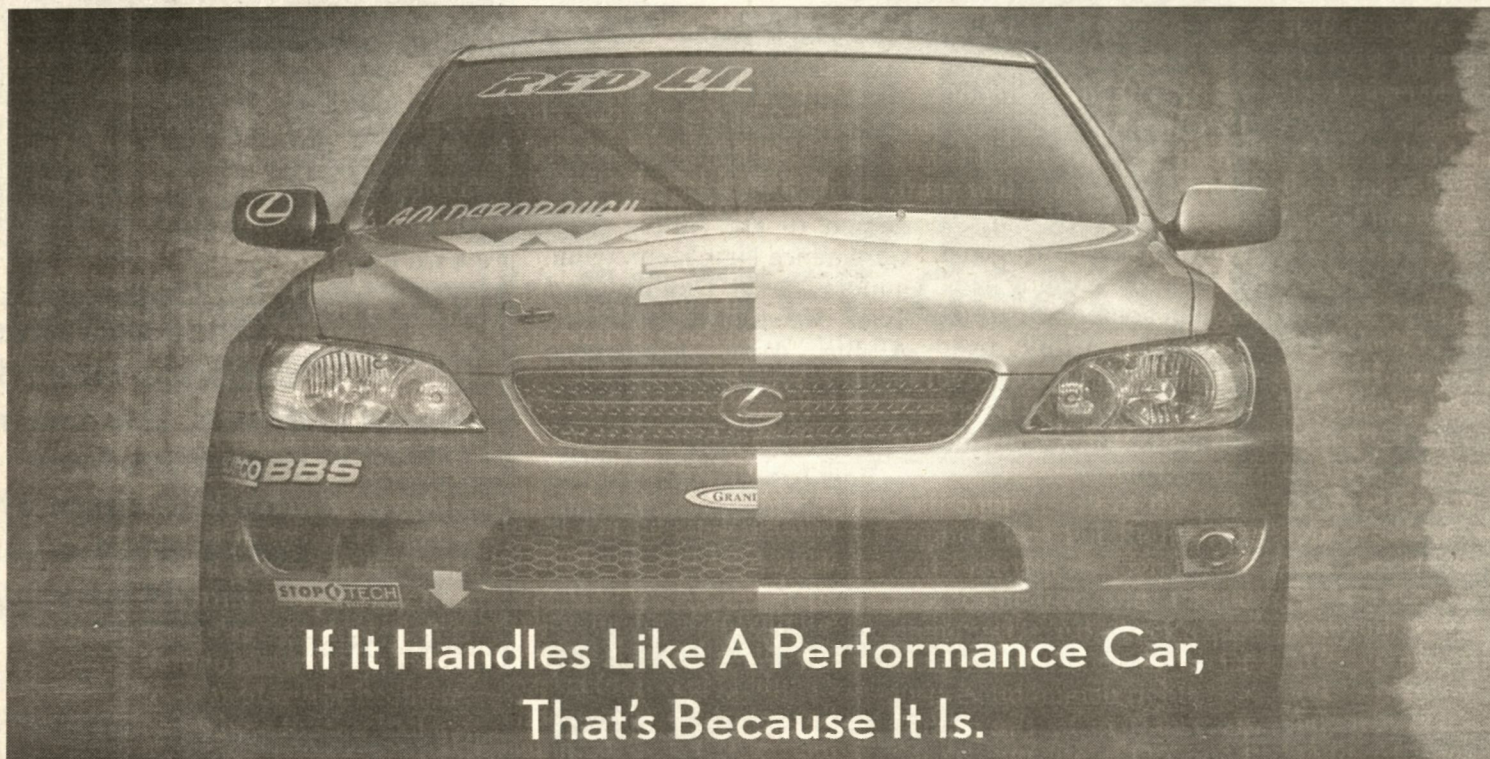
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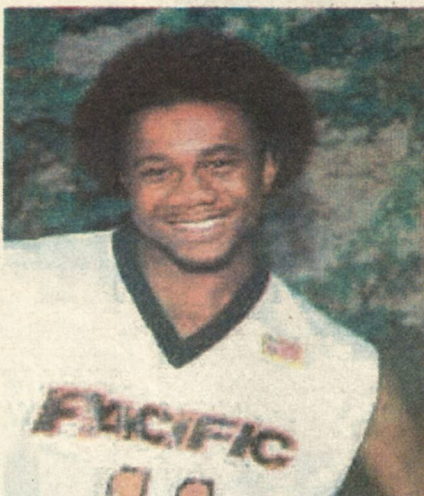
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**MAIH DOES IT AGAIN:** Senior Miah Davis was named Big West Conference Player of the Year last Monday.

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#### Women's Swimming

Seniors Robin Errecart, Shannon Catalano, Sarah Marshall, and Kris Willey and junior Lyndsay McNamee will make up Pacific's participants at the NCAA Championships on March 18-20 at Texas A&M.

These five women will make up Pacific's 200 medley relay team, the 400 medley relay, 200 free relay, 400 free relay, and the 800 free relay.

Additionally, Errecart will swim the 500 free, 200 free, and 100 free. Catalano will be in the 100 fly, 200 fly, and 50 free. Marshall will swim in the 100 back, 200 back, and 100 fly. McNamee will swim

the 50 free, 100 free, and 200 free, while Willey will swim the 200 IM.

#### Women's Tennis

The Lady Tigers won their sixth game in a row earning a 5-2 non-conference dual match victory over Saint Mary's College last weekend improving to a 6-2 on the season.

#### Women's Water Polo

The Lady Tigers fell to UCLA, 15-3, in a Mountain Pacific Sports Federation game last weekend falling to a 1-11 overall record and 0-4 in MPSF play. UCLA bumps its record to 8-2 overall and 3-0 in the MPSF.

#### Men's Volleyball

Pacific men's volleyball team's record fell to a 4-15 last weekend after they lost to #9 UC Irvine, 3-1. Game scores for the match were: 20-30, 30-19, 30-12, and 30-20.

#### Men's Basketball

Congratulations to Pacific senior guard Miah Davis who was named Big West Confer-

ence Player of the Year and head coach Bob Thomason was named Big West Conference Coach of the year.

Davis and sophomore Christian Maraker were both named to the All-Big West Conference First Team, while juniors David Doubley and Tyler Newton both earned All-Big West Conference Honorable Mention honors.

#### Men's Baseball

Tiger baseball dropped to a 9-6 on the season after losing to USF last weekend, 8-6.



Pacific Athletic Department

**HEAD COACH HONORED:** Bob Thomason was announced Big West Conference Coach of the Year last Monday.

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become Big West Conference Champions and even Pacific's bench players dominated the floor.

"This was a good team effort, they are fun to watch and they deserve what they got tonight. We have to play Friday or we're done, but no one can take away what they earned tonight," said Thomason.

Three of Pacific's players ended the game with 15 points. Davis was joined by sophomore Christian Maraker and junior Guillaume Yango as all three claimed top scorer status.

According to Doubley, who had eight points and eight rebounds, the win was important in order for the Tigers to enter the conference tournament strong.

"We have built up our momentum going into the tournament," Doubley said.

Senior Tom Cockle, who

had the game high nine assists, felt the win over Riverside was a full-team effort.

"It was awesome tonight. Everyone got a chance to get in and contribute," Cockle said.

Before tip-off at Saturday's game, a ceremony was held to honor the departing seniors and celebrate the end of the regular season. The ceremony

**"Once the final seconds ticked down, the team and its fans crowded onto the court with cries of victory."**

paled in comparison, however, to post-game celebrations.

Once the final seconds ticked down, the team and its fans

crowded onto the court with cries of victory.

As Davis cut-down the nets from the hoops, the crowd chanted "MVP" and erupted in cheer as he ascended the ladder.

Coming off two home wins and a first place standing in the conference, the men's basketball team will hit the road for Anaheim to face its toughest competition in the Big West Tournament.

## Athlete of the Week



Pacific Athletic Department

**Name: Lennart Maack**

**Year: Sophomore**

**Sport: Tennis**

Maack earned both doubles (8-1) and singles (6-0, 6-1) wins in Pacific's match against Saint Mary's on March 6. This sophomore from Doverden, Germany was an All-Big West Conference First Team honoree in both singles and doubles in his first semester at Pacific.

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